



IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Case: **15-6-9**

Serial No.: **09/648164**

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Examiner: **Dickey** Group Art Unit: **2826**

Title: **Architecture for Circuit Connection Of A Vertical Transistor**

**ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

SIR:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of prior application

Serial No. 09/648164 filed on August 25, 2000

entitled Architecture for Circuit Connection Of A Vertical Transistor

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

a. *Previously Submitted*

i. Consider the amendment/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii. Other _____

b. *Enclosed*

i. Amendment/Reply

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. Other _____

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ month(s).
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(l) required.)

b. Other _____

3. FEES

Please charge the total amount of **760.00** as required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e), to **Agere Systems Deposit Account No. 50-1735.**

In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Director is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No. 50-1735** as required to correct the error. Duplicate copies of this letter are enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time if not submitted with the reply.

Please address all correspondence to **Docket Administrator, Agere Systems Inc., P.O. Box 614, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey 07922-0614**. However, telephone calls should be made to me at 407-371-3250.

Respectfully,


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Date: August 19, 2003

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